

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Fixed station equipment automatically determines whether a telephony user is in close proximity to the station and then automatically adopts a profile that properly
5 directs calls according to whether the user is "in-office" or is "away." Call controls are automatically set corresponding to predetermined profiles of the user, and the station includes a computing device and a fixed telephone outlet. It is detected whether a short range, mobile transmitter corresponding to the user is within a predetermined distance of the station. When the transmitter is within the predetermined distance,
10 then a near-station profile is adopted for the user, wherein the near-station profile directs calls within the IP telephony system to the fixed telephone outlet. When the transmitter is not within the predetermined distance, then an away profile is adopted for the user, wherein the away profile directs at least some calls within the IP telephony system to the user via a wireless communication system.